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1. POST HAS COMPLETED THE FOLLOWING SECURITY PROJECTS:

A. RAISED THE CHANCERY AND RESIDENCE PERIMETER TO A
HEIGHT OF 10 FEET.

B. INSTALLED DISINTEGRATOR MODEL 1012 WITHIN C&R VAULTED AREA.

C. GRILLED ALL WINDOWS WITHING EMBASSY ADMINISTRATIVE
WING OF BUILDING.

D. INSTALLED ACR

E. EMERGENCY ALARM SYSTEM HAS BEEN IMPROVED.

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F. POST HAS ORDERED FOUR SAFES TO REPLACE TWO UNAPPROVED SAFES IN C&R CODE ROOM, I.G. EE SUPPLIES 15 RADIOS PLUS BASE STATION, 2 38 PISTOLS, AND BOMB BLANKET WERE RECEIVED.

2. THE FOLLOWING SECURITY PROJECTS ARE TO BE COMPLETED BY POST:

A. ORDER MYLAR FROM DISTRIBUTOR AND PLACE IT ON WINDOWS AND SKYLIGHT. PROJECT APPROVED BUT COST NEVER SUBMITTED FOR FUNDING. COST TO BE SUBMITTED AT A LATER DATE. (B) POST URGENTLY NEEDS EMERGENCY GENERATOR FOR CHANCERY. PROJECT WAS APPROVED AND FUNDED. BUT DUE LACK OF SPECIFICATIONS ON TYPE OF GENERATOR, AND LACKING TIME TO SOLICIT BIDS, FUNDS WERE DEOBLIGATED. POST WILL SUBMIT TO THE DEPARTMENT REQUEST FOR 50 KW DIESEL GENERATOR, 50 CYCLE, WITH REMOTE STARTER, 50 GAL DAY TANK AND CENTRIFICAL PUMP FOR LARGE STORAGE TANK.

(C) GRILLAGE FOR SKYLIGHT. POST DESIRES TO COVER SKYLIGHT AREA SO AS TO PREVENT A BOMB BEING EASILY THROWN INNER COURT FROM STREET. NOT FUNDED. POST WILL SUBMIT COST ON THIS ITEM.

(D) INCREASE GUARD SERVICE BY 14 GUARDS SO AS AFFORT 24 HOUR COVERAGE FOR CHANCERY AND RESIDENCE AND OTHER EMBASSY PROPERTY. NOT FUNDED. POST WILL SUBMIT COST.

E. REPAIR OF SECOND MODEL II INCINERATOR. PARTS HAVE BEEN ORDERED AND PRESENTLY BEING CLEARED THROUGH THE CUSTOMS. POST ESTIMATES SECOND INCINERATOR WILL BE FUNCTIONING IN THREE WEEKS.

F. TELEPHONE EQUIPMENT INCLUDING SWITCHBOARD SURVEILLANCE AND 1 A2 SYSTEM TO BE INSTALLED. RCO, ACCRA BELIEVES THE EARLIEST HE CAN INSTALL THE EQUIPMENT IS FEBRUARY OR MARCH 1975. THIS DATE IS UNACCEPTABLE TO THE POST. POST REQUESTS OC ASSISTANCE BY DETAILING A TELEPHONE TECHNICIAN TO ALGIERS.

G. "C" RATIONS FOR 100 PERSONS WAS APPROVED BUT NOT CONFIDENTIAL

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FUNDED. POST WILL SUBMIT A REQUEST.

H. SECURITY LIGHTING FOR CHANCERY HAS NOT BEEN INSTALLED BECAUSE OF LACK OF EQUIPMENT. ITEM IS FUNDED. POST WILL REQUEST SUPPLIES FROM TUNIS BY SEPARATE CABLE.

I. AUTOMATIC LOCKING GATES FOR CHANCERY TO BE COORDINATED

WITH CCTV. PROJECT WAS HELD IN ABEYANCE AWAITING MSG. MSG ARE NOT TO BE ASSIGNED IN NEAR FUTURE BUT POST BELIEVES PROJECT IS SOUND. POST REQUESTS RTC CONDUCT SURVEY FOR CCTV INSTALLATION AND REQUEST ADVICE ON TYPE AUTOMATIC SLIDING GATE FOR CHANCERY ENTRANCE. GATE SHOULD CORRESPOND IN HEIGHT OF PERIMETER WALLS.

J. POST WILL SEAL INNER COURT AREA WITH MASONRY WALL AND MOVE RECEPTIONIST SO AS TO BETTER CONTROL VISITORS TO EMBASSY. ALL VISITORS WILL BE ESCORTED TO SECOND FLOOR BY PERSONNEL.

K. POST IS PRESENTLY REWRITING EE PLANS. POST FALLBACK POSITION, CHARGE SUITE OFFICE, NEEDS TO BE STRENGTHENED. NOT FUNDED. POST WILL SUBMIT ESTIMATE.

L. FENCING FOR EMBASSY PROPERTY OUED AL-KILAI-CONTAINING AMERICAN SCHOOL OF ALGIERS, SNACK BAR, EMBASSY MAINTENANCE, AND WAREHOUSE - NOT FUNDED. POST WILL SUBMIT. POST ALSO NEEDS TO REPAIR PERIMETER BARRIER AROUND CHANCERY AND RESIDENCE.

M. REMOVE EXCESSIVE WIRING FROM CHANCERY AND ESPECIALLY C&R AREA.

N. SONIC ALARM SYSTEM FOR C&R AREA TO BE REINSTALLED WHEN OR IF A TCU COMMUNICATIONS IS LOCATED STAFF HOUSING ADJACENT TO EMBASSY.

O. FIRE PLAN, DEMONSTRATION, TERRORIST, BOMB PLAN TO BE CREATED BY POST.

P. BUILDING WIRING IS BEING OVERLOADED AND CREATING CONFIDENTIAL

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A POTENTIAL FIRE HAZARD. POST SHOULD REVIEW ELECTRICAL PROFILE OF POST TO DETERMINE BEST SOLUTION TO THEIR ELECTRICAL PROBLEM.

Q. POST HAS ORDERED ADDITIONAL FIRE EXTINGUISHERS FOR CHANCERY, RESIDENCE AND CARS. POST HAS NOT RECEIVED THIS ORDER.

R. CEO TUNIS WILL INSTALL POST INTERNAL EE NET BASE STATION IN C&R AREA IN DECEMBER AND SURVEY RESIDENCE FOR INSTALLATION OF ANTENNAS.PARKER

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